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Mr Garrison —

Dear Sir: —

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I have no perverse deep-seated intention to deny you to do your duty; but I must say that I want to refresh your memory touching us, as to the absolute necessity of publishing Phillips' Speeches. I have once or twice said to you that the world of men is getting ready for Phillips. His Speeches prior to 1854 were simply dead by a vocal thunder fire. Those which have been put out since 1854 have been generally read, & digested, and assimilated; and the force of which snaps & crackles along the nerves today, giving a new vigor to old unpronounced thoughts — Come, wake up and Execute your good intents

Yours Truly
W. H. Herndon